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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: TALK WITH KING, APRIL 21

1. DURING COURSE OF MY CONVERSATION WITH KING APRIL 21, HE MENTIONED THAT HE HOPED WE COULD MOVE POSITIVELY WITH SCENARIO OF GETTING PRESIDENT TOGETHER WITH PRESIDENT ASAD WHICH WAS DISCUSSED IN OUR WASHINGTON MEETING. HE SAID THAT RIFAI WOULD HAVE THIS IN MIND WHEN HE SAW ASAD IN NEXT FEW DAYS. (HE HAS SINCE SEEN ASAD). IT WILL OF COURSE BE JORDANIANS FIRST REAL OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEF ASAD FACE-TO-FACE ON THE WASHINGTON TRIP. EARLIER THEY GAVE SYRIAN CHIEF OF STAFF SHIHABI A FILL IN HERE IN AMMAN.

2. ANOTHER RELIABLE SOURCE ALSO REPORTS CHIEF OF STAFF BIN SHAKER AS HAVING SAID THAT RIFAI WOULD GO TO DAMASCUS, INTER ALIA TO PROMOTE A MEETING. PICKERING UNQTE SISCO

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